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Applicant: ARCHIBALD JR. et al. Examiner: Thai, T.  
Serial No.: 09/692,957 Group Art Unit: 2186  
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(IBMS.002PA)  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR USING EXTENDED DISK SECTOR  
FORMATTING TO ASSIST IN BACKUP AND HIERARCHICAL  
STORAGE MANAGEMENT

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Presented for appeal are claims 1-22.

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